

ATTEST:

MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND  
Meeting No. 12-88

March 15, 1988

The Mayor and Council of Rockville, Maryland, convened in Executive Session in the City Manager's Conference Room, Rockville City Hall, Maryland Avenue at Vinson Street, Rockville, Maryland, on Tuesday, March 15, 1988, at 6:15 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Douglas M. Duncan

Councilman Steve Abrams

Councilman James Coyle

Councilwoman Viola Hovsepian

ABSENT

Councilman David Robbins

The Mayor in the Chair.

The Mayor and Council convened in Executive Session to discuss personnel. There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council in Executive Session, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. to convene immediately in Work Session.

The Mayor and Council of Rockville, Maryland, convened in Work Session in the Council Chamber, Rockville City Hall, Maryland Avenue at Vinson Street, Rockville, Maryland, on Tuesday, March 15, 1988, at 7:45 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Douglas M. Duncan

Councilman Steve Abrams

Councilman James Coyle

Councilwoman Viola Hovsepian

Councilman David Robbins  
(arrived at 8:35 pm)

The Mayor in the Chair.

In attendance: City Attorney Paul Glasgow, City Clerk Helen M. Heneghan, and Acting City Manager Rick Kuckkahn.

Re: Work Session - Rockville Pike

Pedestrian Underpasses

The Mayor and Council agreed the staff should bring back a modified Congressional Promenade above ground. They would prefer to review this since underpasses seem not to be successful.

Fireman's Carnival Grounds

The Mayor and Council agreed this would stay in the 0-1 Zone.

Shadow Ordinance

The Mayor and Council listened to a briefing and explanation of the Shadow Ordinance and thought that the incorporation of this ordinance into the Zoning Ordinance would cover some of the height problems now occurring.

Retail Retention Strategies

The Mayor and Council listened to the staffs suggestions and spent time discussing neighborhood versus regional shopping centers.

Retail Based Land Use Options

The Mayor and Council noted that neighboring jurisdictions have not used this option.

Urban Mass Transportation Authority Grant

The Mayor and Council agreed that if a proposal comes forward that will fit all of the suburban mobility criteria, the money could be transferred. The Council asked that staff return with additional details on the Transportation Management Association so that the Mayor and Council can make recommendations to UMTA, noting that it might then be possible to work with

the North Bethesda Transportation Management Association.

(At this time, the Mayor and Council took a 5 minute break)

Urban Design

The Mayor and Council listened to a briefing presented by Pat D'Angelo, Planning Department, on the various components of successful urban design. The Mayor and Council discussed the advisability of appointing a Design Review Board. The Board would review designs for compliance when urban design guidelines are called for. The staff would develop criteria and it would then be put forth for Mayor and Council and Planning Commission approval. The Council agreed to make no decision on the Design Review Board at this time, but rather, they will wait for further recommendations from the staff, however, the Mayor and Council asked that the review process be mentioned in the plan and possibly part of the implementation. The Council agreed that the seventy-five (75) foot cornice line suggested should be part of the plan.

Re: Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council in Work Session, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m. to convene again in General Session, on Monday, March 21, 1988, at 7:30 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor.